AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A transition metal complex of formula (1):

$$Y-P \xrightarrow{A-O} M \xrightarrow{X^1} (1)$$

wherein M represents an element of Group 6 of Periodic Table of Elements,

A and A' are the same or different and represent

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkylene group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-18 phenylene group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C10-20 naphthylene group, or

a silylene group substituted with substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon,

Y represents a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,

a silyl group substituted with substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon,

 X^1 and X^2 are the same or different and represent

a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom,

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyloxy group, a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryloxy group, or an amino group disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon, and n^1 is an integer of 0 to 3.

- 2. (Original) The transition metal complex according to claim 1, wherein at least one of A and A' is a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 phenylene group.
- 3. (Original) The transition metal complex according to claim 1, wherein the compound of formula (1) is a compound of formula (2):

wherein M represents an element of Group 6 of Periodic Table of Elements,

Y represents a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,

a silyl group substituted with substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon,

R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, R⁶, R⁷ and R⁸ are the same or different and represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an C1-10 alkyl group, an C1-10 alkoxyl group, or

a silyl group substituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon,

X¹ and X² are the same or different, and represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group,
a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aralkyl group,
a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,
a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group,
a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyloxy group,
a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryloxy group, or
an amino group disubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon, and
n¹ is an integer of 0 to 3.

- 4. (Original) The transition metal complex according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein Y is a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group, or a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The transition metal complex according to any one of claims 1 to 4 claim 1, wherein M is a chromium atom.
- 6. (Currently Amended) An olefin polymerization catalyst obtained by combining the transition metal complex as defined in any one of claims 1 to 5 claim 1 with the following compound (A),

Compound (A): any one of the following compounds (A_1) to (A_3) , or a mixture of two or more of them

(A₁): an organic aluminum compound of formula $(E_1)_a Al(Z')_{(3-a)}$,

(A₂): cyclic aluminoxane having a structure of formula $\{-Al(E_2)-O-\}_b$,

(A₃): linear aluminoxane having a structure of formula (E₃){-Al(E₃)-O-}_cAl(E₃)₂ wherein E₁ to E₃ are the same or different, and represent a C1-8 hydrocarbon group, Z's are the same or different, and represent a hydrogen atom or a halogen atom, a represents 1,2 or 3, b is an integer of 2 or more, and c represents an integer of 1 or more.

7. (Original) The olefin polymerization catalyst according to claim 6, which is obtained by further combining the following compound (B),

Compound (B): any one of the following compounds (B₁) to (B₃), or a mixture of two or more of them

(B₁): a boron compound of formula $BQ_1Q_2Q_3$,

(B₂): a boron compound of formula $Z^{+}(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^{-}$,

(B₃): a boron compound of formula $(L-H)^{+}(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^{-}$,

wherein B is a trivalent boron atom, Q_1 to Q_4 are the same or different and represent a halogen atom, a C1-20 hydrocarbon group, a halogenated C1-20 hydrocarbon group, a silyl group substituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon, an C1-20 alkoxy group, or an amino group disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon, Z^+ represents an inorganic or organic cation, and L represents a neutral Lewis base.

8. (Original) The olefin polymerization catalyst according to claim 6 or 7, wherein the transition metal complex is a reaction product obtained by reacting a compound of formula (3):

wherein A and A' are the same or different, and represent

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkylene group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-18 phenylene group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C10-20 naphthylene group, or

a silylene group substituted with substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon,

Y represents a substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 alkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted silyl group substituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon, with

a transition metal compound of formula (4):

$$(X^3)_{N'} M (X^4)_{m'}$$

$$(L_0)_{n'} X^5$$

$$(4)$$

wherein M represents an element of Group 6 of Periodic Table of Elements,

X³, X⁴ and X⁵ are the same or different, and represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom,

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyloxy group,

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a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryloxy group, or an amino group disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon,

L₀ represents a neutral ligand selected from ether, sulfide, amine, phosphine, or olefin, and l', m', and n' represent independently an integer of 0 to 2.

- 9. (Original) The olefin polymerization catalyst according to claim 8, wherein the molar ratio of the compound of formula (3) and the transition metal compound of formula (4) is 1:0.1 to 1:10.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing an olefin polymer, which comprises polymerizing olefin utilizing an olefin polymerization catalyst as defined in any one of claims 6 to 9 claim 6.
- 11. (Original) A process for preparing a transition metal complex of formula (1) as defined in claim 1, which comprises reacting a compound of formula (3):

$$Y-P$$
 $A'-OH$
(3)

wherein A and A' are the same or different, and represent

- a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkylene group,
- a substituted or unsubstituted C6-18 phenylene group,
- a substituted or unsubstituted C10-20 naphthylene group, or
- a silylene group substituted with substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon,

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Y represents a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,

a silyl group substituted with substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon, with a transition metal compound of formula (4):

$$(X^3)_{\stackrel{}{|}} M (X^4)_{\stackrel{}{m'}}$$

$$(4)$$

wherein M represents an element of Group 6 of Periodic Table of Elements,

 X^3 , X^4 and X^5 are the same or different, and represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom,

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyloxy group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryloxy group, or

an amino group disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon,

L₀ represents a neutral ligand selected from ether, sulfide, amine, phosphine or olefin, and l', m' and n' represent independently an integer of 0 to 2.